

## **Regional Applied Research Effort (RARE) Abstract Format**

Note: Abstracts are limited to 750 words (approximately 1.5 pages), no smaller than 12 font.

**TITLE:** *(A title that is descriptive of the project)*

**REGIONAL CONTACT:** *(Include Name(s) and Division(s))*

**REGIONAL DIVISION DIRECTOR:** *(Include name, Division(s) and signature(s). The Regional Division Director(s) and/or Management Team must sign to acknowledge that the proposed research addresses a top regional priority.)*

**ORD INVESTIGATOR:** *(Include name(s), Lab(s) and Division(s). Contact your Regional Science Liaison if you need assistance identifying an ORD contact.)*

**REGIONAL SCIENCE NEED:** *(Briefly describe the issue or problem the Region faces. Briefly describe how this short-term applied research project will provide the region with new knowledge, data or tools needed to solve the identified problem. Identify how the proposed research links to the Administrator's Priority Areas—particularly: (a) Expanding the Conversation on Environmentalism and Working for Environmental Justice and (b) Building Strong State and Tribal Partnerships.)*

**SPECIFIC GOALS AND APPROACH:** *(Summarize the key research goals, hypothesis and your approach for testing the hypothesis.)*

**EXPECTED RESULTS AND PRODUCTS:** *(Describe the expected benefits and products the Region and ORD will receive from the research, e.g., new data, guidance, tools, regulatory decision support, program support, enforcement support, reports, models, scientific articles, etc.)*

**TRANSLATION, IMPLEMENTATION OR COMMUNICATION PLAN:** *(Describe how the research results or products are expected to be used by the Region, local communities, states, tribes, industry, regulators, other scientists, etc. Describe what steps will be taken by the Region and ORD to translate the findings for advancing the protection of human health and the environment).*

**PROPOSED BUDGET:** *(Include total dollar amount.)*

**PROJECT TIMELINE:** *(Anticipated project period i.e. month/2011 through month/ 20XX.)*